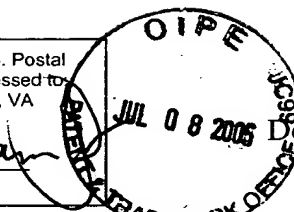


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Dear Sir:

This paper is filed in response to a non-final Office Action mailed April 6, 2005. This paper is timely filed and the applicants believe no fees are due.

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